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In re Application of:)
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Application No.: 10/561,528) : Group Art Unit: 2861
Filed: December 20, 2005) : Confirmation No.: 9818
For: IMAGE FORMING METHOD, IMAGE)
FORMING APPARATUS, INTERMEDIATE :
TRANSFER BODY, AND METHOD OF)
MODIFYING SURFACE OF INTERMEDIATE :
TRANSFER BODY) May 12, 2009

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Further to the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed December 14, 2007, in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is enclosed.

JP 8-230232 was cited in an Official Communication in a corresponding European patent application. A copy of the Communication is attached. The cited document may be relevant for reasons noted therein.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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